

CHERITON BISHOP PARISH COUNCIL

GRANT GIVING POLICY

Cheriton Bishop Parish Council (“the Council”) recognises the importance of supporting groups, organisations and charities that benefit the local community and that giving grants is a valuable method of support.

If the Council is eligible to use the General Power of Competence, all grants given will be under that power.

If the Council is not eligible to use the General Power of Competence it will give grants under the authority of S137 of the Local Government Act 1972. This Act allows the Council to spend a limited amount on activities which the Council considers will bring direct benefit to the area, or any part of it, or all or some of its inhabitants. The benefit to the community should be commensurate with the expenditure.

The total amount that the Council has available for grants is agreed by the Council as part of its budget for each financial year. Requests for grants will usually only be considered at the Council’s meeting in February in each year. The closing dated for applications is therefore the 1st of February in each year.

Grants may made to:

- Cheriton Bishop parish based non-political, non-profit making groups, organisations, educational establishments or charities
- local or national groups or organisations provided there is a direct benefit to the parish

Applications must:

- clearly demonstrate what the funding will be used for
- that the funding would directly serve the needs of the parish
- clearly identify how many parishioners will benefit from the funding

The Council may require up to date accounts in support of an application.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Clerk, applications must be made on the Council’s grant application form which is available from the Clerk.

Applications should be sent to:

Mrs Rachel Hodder, Clerk/RFO, Cheriton Bishop Parish Council, Higher Penstone Farm, Colebrooke, Crediton, Devon EX17 5 JR or clerk@cheritonbishop-pc.org.uk

Telephone: 01363 85523

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